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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
: Examiner: Not Yet Assigned
KOJI NOGUCHI, ET AL.)
: Group Art Unit: N/Y/A
Application No.: N/Y/A)
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Filed: Currently herewith)
:
For: LIQUID CRYSTAL DEVICE,)
LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY)
DEVICE, AND DISPLAY)
PANEL)
: April 5, 2001

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to action on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 4, 5, and 6, and add new Claims 12-22 to read as follows. A marked-up copy of Claims 4, 5 and 6, showing the changes made thereto, is attached.

4. (Amended) A liquid crystal device according to any of the Claims 1 or 2, wherein switching devices are used for driving.

5. (Amended) A liquid crystal device according to any one of the Claims 1 or 2, wherein black is displayed by performing phase compensation.

6. (Amended) A liquid crystal device according to any of the Claims 1 or 2, using a normally-white mode wherein the high-voltage side of the driving voltage is used as black.

12. (New) A liquid crystal device according to Claim 3, wherein switching devices are used for driving.

13. (New) A liquid crystal device according to Claim 3, wherein black is displayed by performing phase compensation.

14. (New) A liquid crystal device according to Claims 4, wherein black is displayed by performing phase compensation.

15. (New) A liquid crystal device according to Claim 12, wherein black is displayed by performing phase compensation.

16. (New) A liquid crystal device according to Claim 3, using a normally-white mode wherein the high-voltage side of the driving voltage is used as black.

17. (New) A liquid crystal device according to Claim 4, using a normally-white mode wherein the high-voltage side of the driving voltage is used as black.

18. (New) A liquid crystal device according to Claim 5, using a normally-white mode wherein the high-voltage side of the driving voltage is used as black.

19. (New) A liquid crystal device according to Claim 12, using a normally-white mode wherein the high-voltage side of the driving voltage is used as black.

20. (New) A liquid crystal device according to Claim 13, using a normally-white mode wherein the high-voltage side of the driving voltage is used as black.

21. (New) A liquid crystal device according to Claim 14, using a normally-white mode wherein the high-voltage side of the driving voltage is used as black.

22. (New) A liquid crystal device according to Claim 15, using a normally-white mode wherein the high-voltage side of the driving voltage is used as black.

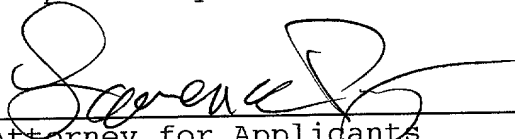
REMARKS

Claims 4, 5 and 6 have been amended to correct their dependency and conformity with accepted U.S. practice. No new matter has been added.

Entry hereof is earnestly solicited.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

Respectfully submitted,


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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE TO CLAIMS

4. (Amended) A liquid crystal device according to any of the Claims 1 [through 3] or 2, wherein switching devices are used for driving.

5. (Amended) A liquid crystal device according to any one of the Claims 1 [through 4] or 2, wherein black is displayed by performing phase compensation.

6. (Amended) A liquid crystal device according to any of the Claims 1 [through 5] or 2, using a normally-white mode wherein the high-voltage side of the driving voltage is used as black.